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REMARKS

The Examiner has provisionally rejected claims 38-47 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-12, 14-25 and 27-29 of copending Application No. 10/678,680.

The Examiner has further provisionally rejected claims 1-68 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-68 of copending Application No. 10/678,684.

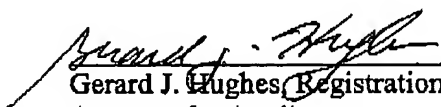
The Examiner has further provisionally rejected claims 1-68 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 40-63 of copending Application No. 10/652,390.

Terminal disclaimers in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.321(c) are attached hereto to overcome these rejections.

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As the Examiner has withdrawn his previous rejections under 35 USC 102 and 103 in view of the amendment filed September 12, 2005, and no other rejections have been raised by the Examiner, the Examiner is requested to withdraw the rejections as to the present claims based on the filing of the terminal disclaimers and pass the application to allowance.

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